

THE MUSKIEE

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SYNOPSIS.

CRANE, on the steamer Kaiser Fritz, comes to the aid of Henry Crane, who has been kidnapped by a band of desperadoes. He is the only man who has been able to escape from the clutches of the band. He is the only man who has been able to escape from the clutches of the band. He is the only man who has been able to escape from the clutches of the band.

CHAPTER V—Continued.

He had floundered to his feet as well. He was standing over her, feeling like a great fatuous coward, so some might have thought. But it really looked as though he was not attempting to do anything, yet neither was he watching her little wingers stamped in jet upon the silver stream, nor even seeing any more of Nelly Potts in the Australian veranda. She had come home from Australia, and come in from the river, and she was watching the open door of the other end of the old schoolroom, listening to those confounded cats coming noisier and noisier—and Catlet was gazing at her as though he really had said something that deserved an answer.

"Why, Miss Blanche?" cried a voice. "And your old lady-in-waiting figured I should say you down!"

Hilton Toye was already a landman and a Londoner from top to toe. He was perfectly dressed for Bond Street—and his native simplicity of bearing and address placed him as surely and firmly in the present picture. He did not look the least bit out of it. But Catlet did, in an instant; his old bush clothes changed at once into a merely shabby suit of despicable cut; the romance dropped out of them and their wear, as he stood like a trussed turkey-cock, and he watched a bunch of noisier fellows presented to the lady with a little gem of a natural, courteous, and yet characteristically rough speech.

To the lady, mark you; for she was one, on the spot; and Catlet was a man again, and making a mighty effort to behave himself because the hour of boy and girl was over.

"Mr. Catlet," said Toye, "I guess you want to know what I'm doing. I'm doing on your tracks so soon. It's hogback, sir, because I wanted to see you quite a lot, but I never thought I'd strike you right here. Did you hear the news?"

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ARRANGE FOR BIG SPELLING CONTEST

CONTRAST BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS OVER CONDUCT OF SPELLING BEE SETTLED.

JUNE SECOND DATE SELECTED

Copies of List Containing 5,000 Words That Will Be Used Mailed to Schools for Preparation.

Western Newspaper Union News Service, Columbus, O.—Official announcement was made that the controversy between state departments over the conduct of the state spelling contest next year has been settled. The State Department of Public Instruction, under Superintendent Frank W. Miller, wins over the State Board of Agriculture. The contest will be terminated with a big spelling bee on June 2, 1916.

The contest last summer was originated by President A. P. Sandifer of the State Agricultural Commission, and was limited to rural boys and girls. The State Board of Agriculture, succeeding the duties of the Agricultural Commission, wanted to handle the contest which Mr. Miller announced he had taken over. The board realized for a short time, but found that the contest was properly classified as an educational affair, and graciously surrendered, according to the announcement made by J. L. Clifton, Mr. Miller's department. Copies of a list containing 5,000 words that will be used were mailed to the schools for use in preparation. Mr. Miller believes that Ohio can produce the best spellers in the union.

U. S. DAUGHTERS OF 1812

Urged To Aid In Securing a Monument Over Harrison's Tomb.

Cincinnati, O.—The William Henry Harrison Memorial Association, of which C. H. M. Atkins is president and Ruthford H. Cox, secretary, inaugurated a plan that is expected to start a nation-wide movement for a monument to Ohio's first president over his tomb at North Bend, this state.

The National Society of the United States Daughters of 1812, through its president, Mrs. Robert Hall Wiles, Chicago, wrote to the association endorsing the proposed congressional appropriation of \$50,000 for the monument. It asked permission to place a bronze tablet on the new monument. President Atkins not only gave the permission, but urged the society to take up the appropriation with congressmen through the different branches of the organization throughout the United States.

FINAL TESTIMONY OFFERED

In Hocking Valley Coal Case—Much Interest in Case.

Columbus, O.—Final testimony was offered in the Hocking Valley Railway coal case before the Utilities Commission. Proceedings in that case were started last summer by the United Mine Workers of America, but the fight has been taken over by the Hocking Valley Railway.

CO-OPERATION AND CREDIT

Federal and State Legislation Desirable to Assist in Work.

Cleveland, O.—By authority of the state, there has just been issued a pamphlet which comprehensively deals with the subject of rural credit. It is the work of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, and is the first of a series of pamphlets on rural credit.

BANK PRACTICE IS ILLEGAL

Particular report on the subject has just been made by Messrs. Horrick and Sams. Mr. Taber was in the west when the partial report was completed, so could not sign it. The report just made by George Willis is largely the result of investigations made by Col. Horrick, who has given the subject study for many years.

RURAL NIGHT SCHOOLS IN OHIO

Columbus, O.—State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Frank W. Miller, has arranged for an experiment. Working with the county superintendents of Erie, Pickaway and Union counties, he will have established night schools in these counties for farmers. If the plan is a success similar institutions will be established in every county of the state. The schools will be open to wives of farmers and the courses are to be of three months. It is expected to be a success.

TAKEN FROM EXCHANGES

New Jersey has 22 cities under commission rule. Rome district last year produced 179,900 metric tons of olives. Sandalwood oil supply comes principally from southern India. There are 692 pawnbrokers working within a radius of ten miles from the Royal Exchange in London.

WASHING IS MODERN CUSTOM

Only in comparatively recent times has the habit of washing become common. One must not forget that regular and systematic cleansing of the person is a very modern fashion. As late as the early part of the nineteenth century toothbrushes were not allowed in certain French convents, being looked upon as a luxury. Cleanliness was not very common a century and a half ago in any country.

SHY AT ALL INNOVATIONS

Humanity Slow to Recognize Even the Things of Life That Are the Best. Few good things get a hearty welcome when they knock at the door. Human nature shies at innovation, and can be persuaded to adopt it only after pioneers have worn the bluish of newness off and stood firm until ridicule has crawled back into its hole. We hope that the young men who

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HAMILTON RANKS SECOND

Among Counties of State in Number of Automobiles Owned.

Cincinnati, O.—Showing an increase of nearly 50 per cent, the number of automobiles owned in Ohio in 1915 jumped to 131,219 from the previous year's total, 122,594, according to figures given out by H. W. Walker, state automobile registrar.

BUCKEYE BREVITIES

Springfield, O.—Carl Gregg, 41, one of the best known and most prosperous farmers in this vicinity, committed suicide by hanging.

Newark, O.—Charles Stultz, 31, married, fell from the roof of a two-story building and died a short time later. He was married and had three children.

Urban, O.—Andrew Dodge, son of George Dodge, Westville, fell from a horse and died a short time later. He was married and had three children.

Springfield, O.—While funeral services were being held for Jacob Coble, 83 years old, who died from burns received when a gasoline stove exploded, a victim of one of the many victims of the same accident, died at the city hospital.

Wooster, O.—Gas escaping from a leaky pipe filled the Wallace home during the night and exploded when it came in contact with furnace flames. The building was demolished with \$10,000 damages and scores of windows shattered in nearby buildings.

Tiffin, O.—Because of the prevailing epidemic of influenza among the children of this city the public schools were closed two days in advance of the holiday vacation. During the past week 25 per cent of the total enrollment has been absent because of illness.

Akron, O.—Council doubled the size of Akron in a four-minute session by passing through a resolution of ordinance adding 10 square miles to the city's area. The ordinance adds nearly a million dollars to the tax duplicate, taking in all the big estates west of the city.

Sandusky, O.—The village of Kelley's Island, on Kelley's Island, 15 miles from the mainland, in Lake Erie, was virtually destroyed by fire. January 1st, the village was destroyed by fire. The village was destroyed by fire. The village was destroyed by fire.

Columbus, O.—Fat profits of county sheriffs in boarding jail prisoners are threatened by a suit carried to the supreme court. It involves the question of whether sheriffs may force the payment of the legal minimum of 45 cents a day for the feeding of prisoners confined in jails, though the actual cost of their board may be no more than 15 cents a day.

Columbus, O.—General John C. Speaks, state fish and game commissioner, called attention to the fact that if hunters wish to hunt on New Year's day, they will have to take out licenses for 1916. Those for 1915 expire at midnight, December 31, he said. Many inquiries had been received at his office concerning new year's hunting.

Springfield, O.—Howard Humphreys has been permanently appointed to the position of superintendent of terminals for the D. T. and I. at Detroit, vice Edward Dowling, resigned. Other appointments: Trainmaster, Northern Division, M. S. Sisson, headquarters at Napoleon, vice Mr. Humphreys, promoted; chief train dispatcher at Springfield, J. J. Graham.

Dayton, O.—The two-year-old daughter of Mrs. Susie Clijak was burned to death at the home in North Bend, Ohio, when a fire broke out. The mother is not expected to live, following her effort to rescue the child, and a second daughter, Marie, was badly burned in an attempt to rescue her mother and sister.

Alliance, O.—The former plant of the Alliance Leader was badly gutted by fire, with a loss of \$15,000. The store was merged August 1 with the Review.

BUNGALOW WITH CORNER ENTRANCE

Unusual Design That Gives a Distinctive Touch to Pretty Home.

SOMETHING OUT OF ORDINARY

Door Has Many Points That Will at Once Make Appeal to the Beholder—Rest of House Laid Out With the Same Care as to Comfort and Looks.

By WILLIAM A. RADFORD.

Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building, for the readers of this paper in return for the publication of his answers as Editor, Author and Manufacturer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 127 Prairie avenue, Chicago, Ill., and only enclose two-cent stamp for reply.

The beauty of a home depends on the method of handling the many little details that go into the making of a house. There are a thousand ways of making these little things different from the average run of houses and thus giving a distinctive touch to your home. Of course it requires a little ingenuity and time to think of these things.

Many people, when they start to build a home, will get their mind set on a certain room that they need. After this room has been included in the plan, the rest of the house is built around it, and all the other details that are just as important are neglected. In order to build a house that is to be satisfactory all the time, it is necessary to get a good broad view of the general arrangement of the house, with the pet room as the controlling idea. Everyone has seen houses that are planned with just one idea in mind, and none of them are ever satisfactory when they are completed.

A beautiful living room will never make a home if the kitchen is arranged so that everything is as inconvenient as possible. The working part of a house is just as important as any other and should receive its share of attention. Get all the various parts in mind and then build your house around them.

There are also various other items besides the arrangement of the rooms that should be considered. Take the

placing of the porch in the little bungalow shown here, for instance. Instead of being handled in the usual way it is built at the corner of the house. The entrance is also at the corner, which has been cut off to accommodate the door. This arrangement illustrates the possibilities of just one part of the house.

The front door design is also out of the ordinary. Instead of a plain panel door with a plain door knob, this door has several ideas incorporated in it that are as distinctive as the porch arrangement. The hinges are of heavy brass and extend almost across the door. The knob and plate are also of heavy material to harmonize with the hinges. Instead of one broad window across the top of the door, a paneled effect is obtained by placing narrow strips of glass across the door horizontally. There are four of these strips.

The door fixtures illustrate the possibilities of builders' hardware. It has often been said that a door can either make a plain house beautiful or a beautiful house plain. A door as handsome as this will certainly have a marked effect on anyone who will put them in a mood to appreciate the beauties of the interior decorations.

The corner entrance in this room presents an excellent opportunity to develop an artistic floor plan. A diagonal wall is built from the stairway in the central part of the house to a little closet that is placed in front of the entrance. The closet is of triangular shape. Two rooms of the house can be reached from the reception hall. On the left is the living room and on the right is a door leading to the dining room.

Across the living room from the reception hall is a cozy corner den that is one of the pleasantest features of the floor plan. A big fireplace is built in this room and a double casement window provides the light on one side of the room. A few easy chairs and a table that will harmonize with the interior decorations will make this little den an unusually attractive spot.

A large unobstructed floor space is available in this plan, as the diagonal wall mentioned before is cut so as to provide a wide casing opening between the living room and the dining room. This makes one large room of a large part of the house and it can be used as such if occasion demands. The dining room is lighted by four windows placed in a square bay, and the living room by four windows placed along the wall. The dining room windows face the front of the house and the living room windows are on the side.

In spite of the fact that considerable care has been taken to give an attractive arrangement of the living rooms of the house the kitchen has not been

neglected in any way. It is one of the compact type, well lighted, and is equipped with all the modern conveniences possible. The two broad windows on the side insure the kitchen against darkness at any time. The pantry contains a cupboard, a table, and a refrigerator that is to be used from the outside. The compact character of the pantry makes everything in it available so that it is not necessary to walk back and forth to get things that are needed.

The entrance to the basement is in the back hall, which makes all the

Arrangement of Corner Entrance Five-Room Bungalow, Size 32 Feet 6 Inches by 35 Feet 6 Inches.

rooms in the back part of the house readily accessible. The two bedrooms in the opposite back corner of the house from the kitchen can be reached through this hall. The basement is made with plenty of headroom so that a heating plant can be installed. The house is built well off the ground, to make this possible.

If a storage room for fruits and vegetables is desired it is well to place the furnace in one end of the basement rather than in the center. The storage room can thus be kept cool, which will keep all the perishable things in good condition.

The exterior walls of this bungalow are finished in a well to plan bungalow way. They are of rough sided up to the gables, which are shingled in alternate wide and narrow courses. The trim around the windows, doors, eaves and porch is white.

SUPPLYING THE FIRING LINE

How Cartridges Are Conveyed to Soldiers Actually at the Front and Possibly Advancing.

Probably many have at times wondered how rifle and other ammunition is conveyed to those actually in the firing line, especially when the troops

are being rapidly pushed forward as an advance takes place. Motor traction is used for the most part in the British and many of the American motor omnibuses convey the small ammunition for rifles and machine guns. They are sent forward as close to the firing line as is thought safe. Every driver in charge of these vehicles is given careful instruction as to the units whose pouches and bandoliers he has to replenish, how many rounds are to be issued per man, and where the regiment is located. Thus the indiscriminate distribution of cartridges is reduced to a minimum. Otherwise one regiment might have more than it well knows what to do with, while another short distance away was rendered helpless for lack of bullets.—Montreal Herald.

Repairing Ravages of War.

Something of the extent to which arms and equipment are damaged in warfare may be realized from the fact that the repair shops which the British government has built near the general headquarters of the expeditionary force in France number more than three hundred and employ 28,000 men in various trades. The chief functions of these shops is to keep in repair the motor vehicles used in various branches of the service. Motorcycles, automobiles and motor trucks are used in large numbers, and the service to which they are assigned is so varied and so severe that accidents are frequent. Heavy trucks bearing ammunition are sent at full speed along roads that in times of peace would be regarded as almost impassable. But the ammunition must be delivered, and the drivers take risks equal to those involved in trench fighting.

A Snail's Pace.

"At a snail's pace" is a common expression, and usually signifies a very slow speed. But what do you suppose is the actual pace made by a snail in traveling?

It can be given in accurate figures. One foot in four minutes, or at the rate of one mile in sixteen days, if traveling continuously.

There are figures given by George Zahner, a civil engineer, taken from actual observation. A short time since Mr. Zahner was working for a train at a country station. He had nothing in particular to do, and "killed a little time" by timing a snail which was creeping along the ground.

That snail traveled just exactly one foot in four minutes, or at the rate of one mile in sixteen days, if traveling continuously. It was a snail of the name of "Snail."

Advancement in Siberia.

A number of new commercial enterprises have recently been undertaken in northeast Siberia. Many iodine works have been established in the neighborhood of Vladivostok, on the shore of the Japanese sea, the iodine being made from seaweeds found there in abundance. An interesting distillery for ether has been opened, the bulk of the ingredients being violets and iris blossoms from the Ussuri countryside. A good deal of amber is being collected from the beach

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"Finally one of them went at it right and when the men at the door asked if he wished to see the doctor professionally he said he did, and was politely passed into the waiting room. A dozen more patients were ahead of him, but he very easily got in and on his way to the doctor, and he waited patiently. When he reached the doctor and said he had come with a bill there was a great row at once, and the doctor indignantly berated him. However, being honest enough, he paid the bill."

The collector didn't care, so long as he got the money, and straightway told how he had done it. Then another one tried it and was successful, but no more were. The third collector got in with a bill for about \$15, but he didn't get out with that amount. The doctor charged him \$10 for his professional call and handed him the balance. One or two others were treated the same way and the word soon got around among the collectors, with the result that the professional calls were abandoned. After which collections were made any way they could be made except that way.

The Defective Baby.

At a time when politicians and generals have to decide almost every day whether or not to start a war, or a bill at the cost of so many human lives, the death of a helpless baby has set a whole nation talking. This happens to be a nation which cannot boast that it cares supremely about its babies, for hundreds of thousands of them die every year of preventable causes. They die of teething which could be ventilated, of milk that could be kept clean, of neglect that could be remedied. They die because their fathers are underpaid, because their mothers are overworked, they are over on city streets because there are insufficient playgrounds; they are infected by dirt diseases; they are starved. Given a chance in life most of them would be happy and useful. They are refused that chance because public opinion is too indolent because many landlords and business men are too greedy, because politicians are cowardly and ignorant. Every year herds of fine human beings are condemned to death because it costs too much to save them. The refusal to keep alive a deformed idiot has become a moral issue throughout the nation.—From the New Republic.

Hat Duels Are Bloodless.

Women like to wear large hats—there is a certain art to it. When they become fashionable they have been causing several hundred feminine encounters. These hat duels always start the same way. Two women, each with big white hats, were seated in a subway train recently. Suddenly one of the hats was pulled off and the other woman's back hair. The one who had been "wounded" turned and glared at the offender, and in so doing inadvertently, of course, showed the offender's neck with her own hair. "I don't care," she exclaimed, "I own this car," one exclaimed aloud to her companion. "She can't be a lady or she wouldn't act that way," the other remarked scornfully. The average man who overhears and overuses one of these hat duels is likely to be unduly alarmed while it lasts, and wonder why there is no bloodshed.—New York Times.

Giant of Stars.

Canopus, the giant of the stellar system, is, according to a recent calculation of W. F. A. Ellison, 49,000 times as bright as the sun. It is 134,000 times as far away as the sun. It is 18,000 times in surface and 2,420,000 times in volume. Its distance from us, according to the same estimate, is 49 light years. Suppose, says Mr. Ellison, that instead of being at this enormous distance it were placed in the center of our solar system, in lieu of the sun. It would then occupy eighty-five hundredths of the space lying within the orbit of Venus, and as seen from the earth would subtend an angle of about 70 degrees of arc. Thus, when its lower limb was on our horizon, its upper limb would be 30 degrees of the zenith. Needless to say, no life could exist on earth with such a neighbor.

Puns on Tombstones.

The punster is irrepressible; he even indites his jokes on tombstones. An epitaph, William Abbey in form, as that Sir James Fullerton read "ruler of faith than of fears, ruler of resolutions than of pains, ruler of honour than of days."

There is another Daniel Tars:

"Through strange, yet true, life, seven years of his was his wife happy with her Tars."

This was written of an organist:

"Here lies one blown out of breath, who lived a merry life, and died a Meredith."

Another says: "Here lies Thomas Huddleston, reader, don't smile, but reflect as this tombstone you view, that Death, who killed him, in a very short while will huddle a stone upon you."

Straying from the Subject.

"The business of motherhood" began the little old lady in the back seat. "The president of the woman's club rapped loudly for order. "Delegates," said she, "will give their attention to the business of the club."

Daily Thought.

I seek no thorns, and I catch the small joys. If the door is low I stoop down. If I can remove the stone out of my way I do so. If it be too heavy I go round it. And thus every day I find something which gladdens me.—Goethe.

Shift Concealed Here.

"I hear that Ethel has a splendid position, for which she is pre-eminently fitted." "And that is—?" "Confidential secretary to a theatrical publicity man."—Life.